

February 29, 2008

Jeff Jordan
Supervisory Attorney, Complaints Examination & Legal Administration
Federal Elections Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463



Dear Mr. Jordan:

I write on behalf of Robert Scott, Treasurer of the New Hampshire Republican State Committee ("NHRSC") in response to the Commission's January 15, 2008 letter concerning allegations made against the NHRSC by the New Hampshire Democratic Party (MUR 5966). This letter raised two issues: (1) alleged voter file exchanges between the NHRSC and federal candidates; and (2) an alleged purchase of a New Hampshire voter file from the Secretary of State during the Federal Election Activity window using solely state dollars.

With respect to the first issue, the NHRSC has not provided any copies of the voter file to any federal candidates during this election cycle. An affidavit stating this is attached hereto as Exhibit A. As such, the Commission should take no action against the NHRSC.

With respect to the second issue raised in the Commission's January 15 letter, a review of the NHRSC's records indicate that the NHRSC may have inadvertently purchased a voter file from the New Hampshire Secretary of State in September, 2006 with solely state dollars. Our records indicate that on September 29, 2006, a check for \$436.50 made out to the New Hampshire Secretary of State and signed by the former NHRSC Chairman was drawn on our non-federal account.

In order to correct this oversight, the NHRSC has reimbursed our state account for this amount, and we are filing an amended report with the Commission. We respectfully request that the Commission take no further action.

Finally, the New Hampshire Democratic Party's complaint contains non-specific allegations, or implied allegations, against the NHRSC: The NHRSC respectfully submits that vague allegations, which imply wrong-doing on the NHRSC's part without any substantiation, do not warrant further Commission action.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 603-225-9341 or fergus@nhgop.org.

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Sincepety,

Pergus Cullen

Chairman, New Hampshire Republican Party

Notary: Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 21 day of February, 2008.

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## **EXHIBIT A**

## **DECLARATION OF FERGUS CULLEN**

- 1. My name is Fergus Cullen. I am Chairman of the New Hampshire Republican State

  Committee, and have served in this capacity since January, 2007. Included in my duties

  as Chairman is oversight of any federal candidate voter list exchanges, were the NHRSC to engage in any such exchange.
- To date, at no time during the 2008 election cycle has the NHRSC entered into any
  exchange agreement, sold, leased, or otherwise provided any federal candidate with a
  New Hampshire voter file.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Signature:

Date: February 19, 2008

Notary: Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 29 day of February, 2008.

KIMBERLY J. BLAIN NOTARY PUBLIC State of New Hampshire My Commission Expires September 5, 2012